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Little Rock.
Reds in U.S. Government

Dear Editor: The New York Journal-American reports that a defector from the Soviet KGB has told of cells operating in the CIA and the State Department. It was stated that he has named names. It would have been impossible, with the lax security regulations from time to time, for the State Department not to have been infiltrated by Communists. They have been working for decades in America and it would be naive to think that the State Department had no Communists in it.

But why has there been no thorough investigation of this department? Why is it that men like Otepka have tried to do something that they, not the security risks (and all security risks are not Communists but all Communists are holes in our security program), are usually the ones who are punished one way or another?

President Johnson has given no indication that he plans to conduct such an investigation.

The only possibility that I know of is the election of Sen. Goldwater. If the security risks were cleaned out of the State Department, and it will not be a difficult job to find out who they are if an administration really wants to know, there will be some changes for the better in our foreign policy.

This is not a wholesale indictment of the State Department but it is to say that even a few security risks in sensitive spots can do a tremendous amount of damage.

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Reds in Government

Congratulations on the headline and cover story on the communist activity in the state department, C. I. A., et al, in CHICAGO'S AMERICAN March 5.

Too many people think "it could never happen here."

Please continue to press for open hearings and public confrontation of these people who are aiding the conspiracy in our government.

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State Department
Inquiry Proposed

EDITOR, THE UNION: In

view of the disclosures made by the Russian defector, Goleniewski, that there are Red agents operating in the State Department and the CIA, I urge all Americans to write to their congressmen and senators to open an all-out and thorough investigation into the activities of these departments immediately.

Rep. John M. Ashbrook has introduced a bill in this respect. Let us all support Mr. Ashbrook's bill and take this opportunity to let our voice be heard. This is very important. It is time for a big "house cleaning" in these departments.

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